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Statement for the Alignment, Construction, and
Operation of a Rail Line to a Geologic Repository at
Yucca Mountain, Nye County, NV

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COMMENTS:

As a historian my concern is for the historic and pre-historic sites within the proposed R.R. right of way. How will they be protected & preserved?

The Central Nev. Historical Society has conducted a 20 yr. research project on the WWII era Tonopah Army Airfield located in Ralston Valley East of Tonopah. Between Mud Lake and the airfield, WWII aircraft crash sites have been located, identified and marked.

Ralston and East Stone Cabin Valley (near Warm Springs Summit) were used for testing the predecessor of today's Smart Bomb. Target sites and remnants of those 1940s test's still remain.

The railroad should be located in Esmeralda County and closer to Goldfield. This would be economically beneficial to the county. Commercial use of the line would also be of benefit to the area.

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